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Former LA County Sheriff's Deputy Pleads to Sexually Assaulting Female Inmates

A former Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy pleaded no contest today for sexually assaulting six female inmates two years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Giancarlo Scotti (dob 9/5/86) entered an open plea to six felony counts of sexual activity with a detainee in a detention facility and two misdemeanor counts of sexual activity with a detainee in a detention facility. An open plea means a sentence was not negotiated with the District Attorney's Office.

Deputy District Attorney Hyunah Suh of the Justice System Integrity Division prosecuted the case.

In August and September 2017, Scotti engaged in unlawful sex acts with female inmates, ranging in age from 24 to 42 years old, at the Century Regional Detention Facility in Lynwood.

In one instance, Scotti ordered two cellmates to perform oral sex on him. He later took the women to a shower area where he had unlawful sexual intercourse with both of them, the prosecutor said.

In another incident, the defendant had a female inmate perform oral sex on him while she was in her cell.

Scotti is expected to be sentenced to two years in state prison on Sept. 26 in Department 118 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center. He faces up to seven years and four months in prison if he fails to appear for sentencing.

Case BA465694 was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Internal Criminal Investigations Bureau.

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